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OR A LIGAMENT AND, IN PARTICULAR, THE CALCANEAN TENDON

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION TO FILE MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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Sir:

In response to the accompanying Notification to File Missing Requirements dated December 19, 2005, we enclose herewith the executed declaration which was omitted at the time of filing the above-captioned application, which was filed on May 9, 2005.

The required 37 C.F.R. §1.492(e) surcharge was paid at the time of filing the application.

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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- English Translation of the IA filed on 05/09/2005
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- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/09/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/09/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/09/2005
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The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

• Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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